

and compensation to him; And further His Lord^p Notes him in his Inst^{ns} pleased with his Let^r rec^d from him, and expressed to me his dislike not have^s no return from all others for his kindness to them. I have had no conversation with M^r Dulany on Our private transactions I shall show my Lord his Opinion given you. Inclosed is a Let^r to M^r Bordley under Loose seal for your delivery, if you approve, close and give it him; I have not heard from him. My Irregular answers to yours is occasioned by Irregular receiving y^{rs} I much thank you for y^r remittances in y^{rs} the 4th of March and 3^d of Aug^t to the 10th D^o M^r Sec^y Pitt in his full Glory has resign'd the Seals of Sec^y of state. Y^r several Let^{rs} are delivered to his Lord^p and y^r friends. Oct^r 23^d closing

M^r Macnamara comes in informes that from Let^r M^r Dulany at Bath is worse, the water not agree^s with him. Y^r Brother W^m & Dyson sworn & comission'd to execute the Privy Seal; he is gone to Bath, I have well instructed him of D—— M^r Pitt's resignation seems to a stem'd the Administⁿ he is a peculiar Instance of Popularity, altho his proposition supposed to be War with Spain, to which all the Council was ag^t him yet by his resignation, from general Applause although very very deserving, Envy steps in, Nobility & Land men thwart his Prosperity & bring on the Crown great Dilemma, and tho the King gives great reward for his merit to him, yet vox populi seems Vox Dei. No success without him.

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[Sharpe to Baltimore.]

Newcastle on Delaware 22^d Oct. 1761.

My Lord

The Commissioners who are appointed to carry into Execution the Articles of Agreement which were last year entered into by Your Ldp & the Proprietors of Pennsylvania having been informed that there was a Telescopic Instrument called a Transit Instrument made in London 12 or 14 years ago on purpose for running a Meridian Line thro Salesbury Plain to the Northmost Part of Scotland & also the Parallel of London thro the Kingdom of Great Britain (which Work was to have been carried on under the Patronage of His Royal Highness the late Prince Frederick) Governor Hamilton & I are desired to advise Your Ldp & the Proprietors of Pennsylvania of the Commissioners opinion that if this Instrument can be purchased or borrowed & transmitted hither before we begin to run the Line that is to be the Northern Boundary of Maryland the Execution of the Articles might be greatly expedited & That Line be more accurately & truly described than it can be by any other Method which hath yet occurred or been pro-